

Quarter Century
Wireless Association, Inc.



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Washington (DC)
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West Virginia (Central WV)
Wichite Mtn (Lawton Okla)
Wisconsin (Milwaukee)

In addition, there are other chapters in the process of formation. As the above chapter officers change yearly, no listing of names are therefore made at this time. Various QCWA News Letters will show these from time to time.

CHARTER MEMBERS

W2FX	John Di Blasi	*W2FD	John A. Gioe
*W2IN	G. T. Droste	W2CO	Walter A. Cobb
*W2FIT	Leon Hansen	*W2MM	Earl R. Thomas
W2PF	David Talley	W2KW	Clarence Seid
W1HRX	James Millen	*W2BT	Kurt Schoenfeld
*W2AMB	Fred W. Huff	*W2YW	Reeve O. Strock (K4AW)
W2DX	Irving Groves (K4HT)	W2BJ	Raymond Farwell (W4BJ)
*W2II	W. J. Howell	W2LKN	Jack Heidt (W4MW)
W2UD	Uda B. Ross	W2AS	W. H. Kennedy
W2RB	W. H. Neuman	*W2PYY	F. A. Long (K4BA)
W2EF	E. S. Crane	*W2KU	Oscar Oehman
*W2EA	Otto Eppers	W2MY	Murray Blum
W2AMJ	Frank Lester (W4AMJ)	*W2ILO	W. L. Wheeler, Jr.
*W2WZ	J. A. Stobbe	W2DDA	W. E. Owens
W2BR	Lester Reiss	W2BNY	Moe Jaffe
W2KR	Morton Kohn (K4KR)	W2BB	Nat Burnett (K4OL)
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*W2FO	H. T. Hayden, Jr.	W2QF	George Nolan
W2FZ	Frank Frimerman	W2BKY	Harold Wetterholm
W2OG	Alfred B. O'Hara	W2MIN	Philip Levinson
*W2LFR	Harold D. Perry (W4VZ)	*W2DI	Dr. E. A. Cyriax
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W2CVF	Ralph Hassinger	*W4IE	Charles A. Service, Jr.
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*W2GG	E. W. Dannels (K4GG)	W9NN	Robert E. Baird
K2CM	Thomas McCann (K8CM)	*W6YYU	Gordon Braendle
*W2GX	R. D. Valentine	W2YQ	Ambrose H. Hardwick

PAST PRESIDENTS

JOHN DiBLASI, W2FX, President Emeritus	1947-1964
*EARL R. THOMAS, W2MM	1964-1968
CLARENCE SEID, W2KW	1968-1971
HON. BARRY GOLDWATER, K7UGA	1971-1973

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY - EMERITUS

*RALPH G. BARBER, W2ZM	1955-1964
*Deceased	

HONORARY MEMBERS

WIAE/W3DF	George Sterling	Peaks Island, Portland, Maine
	Hon. Rosel H. Hyde	2709 McKinley St., N.W., Washington, D.C.

LIFE MEMBERS AND 50 YEAR AWARD MEMBERS

Life members are indicated in BOLD FACE TYPE in the membership listing.

Members who have received the Golden Anniversary Award for Fifty Years of service as a Licensed Radio Amateur are indicated by a (†).

HISTORICAL DATA

QCWA had its inception during a 10-meter (30 MHz) "round-table" on Friday evening, November 14, 1947 when John DiBlasi, W2FX; Uda Ross, W2UD; John Gioe, W2FD; Edwin S. Crane, W2EF; Dr. Ernest Cyriax, W2DI and Irving R. Groves, W2DX, decided that they should meet with other old-timers and form an Association of amateur radio operators who had been licensed for twenty-five years or longer. The first official meeting was held on Friday evening, December 5, 1947 in New York City at which time the following old-timers founded the QUARTER CENTURY WIRELESS ASSOCIATION, Inc., and elected John DiBlasi, W2FX, President; George T. Droste, W2IN, Vice President; Leon A. Hansen, W2FIT, Secretary and David Talley, W2PF, Treasurer. W1HRX, W2AMB, W2AMJ, W2CVF, W2BJ, W2BR, W2BT, W2BW, K2CM, W2CO, W2DX, W2EA, W2EC, W2EF, W2FD, W2FIT, W2FO, W2FX, W2FZ, W2GG, W2GX, W2II, W2IN, W2KR, W2KW, W2LFR, W2MM, W2OG, W2PF, W2PL, W2RB, W2UD, W2WZ and W2YW.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

When QCWA was conceived in 1947, in New York City, its' membership and leadership obviously came from that local area. In the ensuing 27 years, QCWA has grown in strength to over 6600 members in 66 chapters, located in 3 States and 2 Countries.

During recent years, and including the present, your Officers and Directors come from many different areas, reflecting this change. This is as it should be. However, this brings with it some problems as to transportation and attendance at Board Meetings. Therefore, when we do hold Board Meetings, it is imperative that our Directors be informed as much as possible, regarding your wishes for the good of Q.C.W.A. I have asked the Directors to attend as many Chapter Meetings as possible, and in turn I ask the members to address their wishes to our Directors. The continuing growth and strength of Q.C.W.A. can only be brought about by viable and active Chapters.

At this time, I wish to thank the Chicago Chapter for sponsoring and running the very successful Q.C.W.A. QSO party this year. Let me also thank the Citru Chapter for offering to host our annual meeting for 1974. This will be held in the Orlando, Florida area next October.

We look forward to meeting many of you again in what I am confident will be our largest and most successful annual meeting.

73 Frank A. Gunther President W2ALS

QUARTER CENTURY WIRELESS ASSOCIATION, INC.

(Founded 1947)

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I

Name and Purpose of the Association

Sec. 1. This Association shall be known as the QUARTER CENTURY WIRELESS ASSOCIATION, Inc.

Sec. 2. The purposes of the Association shall be:

- (a) To foster and develop friendship and co-operation among amateur wireless and radio operators of more than twenty-five years' standing.
- (b) To take general interest in all matters affecting or involving amateur wireless or radio and sponsor such actions as may be deemed proper in their interests.

ARTICLE II

Membership

Sec. 1. The membership of the Association shall consist of those persons who have signed the Certificate of Incorporation, together with all persons who are hereafter received in or elected to membership as hereinafter provided.

Sec. 2. Any person is eligible for membership who submits satisfactory proof that he or she is a licensed amateur radio (wireless) operator, that he or she was licensed as such twenty-five or more years ago and who, upon submitting an application, is approved by the Board of Directors, as provided in the By-Laws of the Association.

Sec. 3. The classes of membership and the fees therefor will be prescribed in the By-Laws.

Sec. 4. Any member may withdraw from the Association by presenting to the Secretary a written statement of resignation.

Sec. 5. A member may be expelled for the violation of the By-Laws of the Association or for other cause prejudicial to the best interests of the Association. Such expulsion may be effected by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors at a duly called meeting.

Sec. 6. Any resigned or expelled member forfeits all rights and or privileges of the Association.

ARTICLE III

Government

Sec. 1. The general management of the affairs of the Association shall be vested in the Board of Directors, who shall be elected as provided in the By-Laws.

Sec. 2. The Officers of the Association shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and such other Officers as the Board from time to time may designate.

Sec. 3. The Board of Directors shall consist of the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and five other members of the association.

Sec. 4. The Board of Directors shall meet at least once each year and at the call of the President. At least one-half of the Board members shall be present to constitute a quorum.

Sec. 5. If a vacancy occurs among the Officers or in the Board of Directors, such vacancy shall be filled for the unexpired term by the Board of Directors.

Sec. 6. The President shall be a member ex-officio of all committees.

ARTICLE IV

Meetings

Sec. 1. The Association shall hold an annual meeting before the end of each calendar year at a time and place to be designated by the Board of Directors.

Sec. 2. The purpose of this meeting shall be the election of the Officers and Directors of the Association and such other purposes as may be necessary or proper for the conduct of the Association.

Sec. 3. Other meetings of the Association may be held throughout the year, the time and place to be designated by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE V

Sec. 1. No financial obligation shall be incurred on behalf of the Association except by the unanimous approval of the Board of Directors as covered in by the By-Laws.

ARTICLE VI

Amendments

Sec. 1. Amendments to this constitution may be initiated by a majority vote of the Board of Directors, or by petition submitted to the Board of Directors for their consideration by at least one hundred (100) members in good standing. Proposed amendments to the Constitution approved by the Board of Directors, shall be mailed with a ballot to all members in good standing at least twent (20) days before the date appointed for the return of the ballot, and the ballot shall carry a statement of this time limit. Approval of the amendment by at least two thirds of the members voting shall be necessary for its enactment.

Revised as of April 7, 1972.

QUARTER CENTURY WIRELESS ASSOCIATION, Inc.

BY-LAWS

(As Revised April 1975)

ARTICLE I

Membership

Sec. 1. A person eligible for membership may apply by making application in the form prescribed by the Board of Directors and submitting with application three years' dues plus an entry fee.

Sec. 2. Each application will be considered by the Board of Directors and, if approved by the Board of Directors, the applicant will be notified of his election to membership.

ARTICLE II

Dues

Sec. 1. Each Applicant for membership shall remit an Entry Fee of Three Dollars (\$3.00) plus three years' dues of Ten Dollars (\$10.00), making a total of Thirteen Dollars (\$13.00), which shall be returned to him or her should the application not be approved.

Sec. 2. Dues shall be prepaid to the Association in the amount of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) for three years, Twenty Dollars (\$20.00) for six years, Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) for Life Membership. Payment for Life Membership may be made in three Installments over a period of one year. First payment must be Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00), second payment Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00), and final payment Ten Dollars (\$10.00). If payments are not completed within the one year period, the money paid will be credited toward regular dues.

Sec. 3. Any member whose dues have not been received by the Association prior to ninety days after the first of the calendar year, shall automatically cease to be a member in good standing. Such member (in default) may, at the option of the Board of Directors, be dropped from the membership rolls of the Association and shall thereupon cease to be a member of the Association.

Sec. 4. Each applicant accepted for membership shall be assigned a membership number in arithmetical sequence. This number shall not be reassigned to another member unless authorized by the Board of Directors.

Sec. 5. Applicants accepted for membership who were former members may be reassigned their original membership number, if available, upon payment of all the back dues to date or Five Dollars (\$5.00), whichever is less, and dues for three years in advance; or upon payment of Life Membership dues.

ARTICLE III

Board of Directors

Sec. 1. The Board of Directors shall have control of the property and affairs of the Association and shall fix its policies. They shall have power to hold meetings; appoint committees; accept new members and suspend, censure and take all necessary and proper steps to carry out the principles of this Association and promote its best interests. They may appoint an Executive Secretary and such other employees as considered necessary and fix their compensation.

Sec. 2. Meetings of the Board of Directors and the regular annual meetings of the Association may be held within any state of the United States as authorized by the Board of Directors.

Sec. 3. No Officer or Director shall receive remuneration for his services in any capacity.

Sec. 4. The Officers and Directors of the Association shall serve for a term of two (2) years or until their successors are duly elected.

Sec. 5. After December 31, 1967, no member may qualify for nomination to be an Officer or Director unless he shall have been a member in good standing for more than two (2) years.

Sec. 6. Roberts Rules of order revised shall govern meetings of the Board of Directors and of the association in all cases to which they are applicable.

ARTICLE IV

Duties of Officers

Sec. 1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the members of the Association and of the Board of Directors, and shall appoint such committees as he or the Board of Directors shall consider expedient or necessary.

Sec. 2. In the absence of the President, the Vice-President shall perform his duties, and in the absence of both the President and Vice-President such Officer as may be present shall preside and assume the duties of the President.

Sec. 3. The Secretary shall be responsible for the corporate records of the Association.

Sec. 4. The Treasurer shall be responsible for the funds of the Association and accountable to the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE V

Executive Secretary

Sec. 1. The Executive Secretary, as appointed by the Board of Directors, shall conduct the administrative duties of the Association and be generally responsible to the Board of Directors through the President.

ARTICLE VI

Nominations and Elections

Sec. 1. At least sixty days prior to the annual meeting each odd-numbered year, the President shall appoint a Nominating Committee subject to the approval of the Board of Directors. The report of this Committee will be submitted to the membership at least thirty (30) days prior to the annual meeting together with a ballot form. The Nominating Committee shall submit eligible candidates for President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and five Directors.

Sec. 2. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a petition may be submitted signed by one hundred (100) members in good standing to the Secretary, post-marked at least sixty (60) days prior to the annual meeting, nominating any eligible member in good standing for any office or directorship. Upon receipt of such a petition, the Secretary, upon verifying the validity of the petition, shall cause the name of the candidate to be placed on the ballot.

Sec. 3. The election of the candidates shall be by written ballot vote of a majority of the members in good standing voting before the closing of the polls. The polls shall be open not less than thirty (30) days before the date set for the regular Annual Meeting, and shall close ten (10) days before the opening date of the regular Annual Meeting.

Sec. 4. The President, with the approval of the Board of Directors shall appoint two or more members, who are not candidates, to serve as Tellers for counting the ballots. The Tellers shall certify in writing the results of the ballot count for each candidate or the matters to be decided by balloting.

Sec. 5. Each candidate shall be requested to submit in writing a brief biographical outline to the Secretary at least thirty (30) days before the date set for the opening of the polls. This brief biographical outline shall accompany the ballot mailed to each member in good standing.

Sec. 6. The Association's membership list, directories, Year Book, addressograph plates or any other membership mailing facilities shall not be sold, nor be made available to any person or organization, unless authorized by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VII

Chapters

Sec. 1. Chapters may from time to time be formed upon approval of the Board of Directors. The requirements for a Chapter shall be as follows:-

(a) Each Chapter member must be and continue to be a member in good standing of the Quarter Century Wireless Association, Inc.

(b) The Chapter must have at least ten members residing in the same geographical area.

(c) The Chapter members must be governed by the principles, Constitution and By-Laws of the Quarter Century Wireless Association, Inc.

(d) Each Chapter shall elect a Chairman and Secretary who shall correspond with the Quarter Century Wireless Association, Inc. and shall keep current correspondence and information with the Quarter Century Wireless Association, Inc.

(e) Each Chapter may have such local business or social meetings as it wishes and for such purposes as within the spirit of the Quarter Century Wireless Association, Inc.

(f) Each Chapter member of the Quarter Century Wireless Association, Inc. may attend regular Quarter Century Wireless Association, Inc. meetings and functions, and enjoy all the benefits and privileges of the Association.

ARTICLE VIII

Financial Obligations

Sec. 1. All obligations incurred by the Association shall be solely corporate obligations and no personal liability whatsoever shall attach to, or be incurred by, any member, Officer or Director of the Association by reason of any such corporate obligation.

Sec. 2. The President may approve expenditures of the funds of the Association up to an amount of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) during the calendar year providing that a proper accounting is subsequently made to the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IX

Amendments

Sec. 1. These By-Laws may be amended from time to time by affirmative vote of a majority of the Board of Directors at any regular called meeting of the Board of Directors.